



Express Mail Mailing Label No. EV928083818US

PATENT

Attorney Docket No. WYE-030

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): O'Toole *et al.* CONFIRMATION NO.: 2740
SERIAL NO.: 10/786,720 GROUP NO.: 1634
FILING DATE: February 26, 2004 EXAMINER: Myers, Carla J.
TITLE: Compositions and Methods for Diagnosing and Treating Autoimmune Diseases

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 1, 2007, for the above-referenced patent application, and follows the filing of a notice of appeal on May 1, 2007. Applicants enclose a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, a petition for a one-month extension of time, and an authorization to charge the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a)(1) and 1.17(e) to Deposit Account No. 50-1721. Applicants believe that no other petition or fee is required at this time. Nevertheless, please consider this a conditional petition for any further required extension of time and please charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1721.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.